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SD Guard's 740th Transportation Co. changes command

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740th Transportation Company

MILBANK, S.D. – First Lt. Terry Berndt, of Rapid City, is the new commander of the South Dakota Army National Guard's 740th Transportation Company of Milbank and Aberdeen.

Berndt assumed command, Oct. 2, from Capt. Hogan Easton, of Sioux Falls, who commanded the unit since October 2014.

As the commander of the 740th, Berndt is now responsible for command and control, administrative, logistical and training support for about 170 Soldiers in the Milbank-based unit headquarters and the Aberdeen-based detachment.

"It's an honor to command the best transportation company in the nation and continue to help this unit grow," said Berndt. "I am excited to reunite with Soldiers I've deployed with and even more excited to meet the Soldiers I do not know yet."

Berndt, who has nearly 14 years of military service, works full time for the SDARNG as the state budget officer.

"The 740th has taught me the love of family throughout the unit, and I am proud to say that I have been a part of such an amazing unit," said Easton, who will transfer to the 139th Brigade Support Battalion in Brookings as the ammunition officer.

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1601002-Z-ZZ999-001: U.S. Army 1st Lt. Terry Berndt, incoming commander for the 740th Transportation Company, South Dakota Army National Guard, receives the unit guidon from Lt. Col. Tim Schlotterback, 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion commander, during a change of command ceremony in Milbank, S.D., Oct. 2, 2016. Berndt assumed command of the 740th from Capt. Hogan Easton, who held the position since October 2014. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Spc. Aspen Remington)

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